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"Long may it wave o'er the  
land of the Free and the Home  
of the Brave."

## A WONDERFUL MESSAGE.

A message that will ever rank  
among the greatest of state papers  
is the one which President Woodrow  
Wilson carried to Congress at the  
opening session Tuesday, a message  
wonderful in the thought that it con-  
veyed and in the simple directness of  
its English.

It brings home forcibly the fact  
that there can be no peace until the  
people of Germany free themselves of  
the Hun militarism which is now a  
scourge facing Europe, as in the days  
when Attila with his barbarian hosts  
overran this great territory; until  
reparation is made for the great  
wrongs done to heroic Belgium and  
those other small countries, whose  
only fault has been that they could  
not defend themselves against the  
ravages of the German military es-  
tablishment; until the German people through  
representatives who can be trusted  
make pledges to abide by the laws of  
humanity and justice.

It brings forth the fact that the  
United States needs to war on Aus-  
tria in order that our aid to the allies  
may be more complete; in order that  
the war may sooner be brought to an  
end, is needful, and it will come.

It brings forth the fact that the  
people of the United States must be  
chosen people to lead the world out  
from under the terrors of Kaiserism,  
that the entire world may enjoy equal-  
ity, liberty, justice, and that each  
country may work out its destinies,  
unhindered by a fear of spoliation  
from a militaristic power.

It is a war which must be won, no  
matter what the cost, and means that  
America must rally and stand solidly  
behind the government with men and  
with money.

## THIS WEEK'S ISSUE.

The Alma Record is printing six-  
teen pages this week, all home print,  
in order that it may properly take  
care of the advertising of our hus-  
tling business men.

The newspaper is considered a re-  
flection of its city, and taking this  
for a fact, one will be convinced in  
looking over the pages this week that  
the business men of Alma are living  
up to the Alma reputation of "a bunch  
of hustlers."

Business men placing advertising in  
The Alma Record will be interested to  
know that during the month of No-  
vember our two subscription solicitors  
put over two hundred new subscrip-  
tions on The Alma Record subscription  
lists. It is important that the busi-  
ness man who spends his money for  
advertising should look for the great-  
est number that he can touch by a  
medium. The Alma Record does that  
here, sending five times as many pa-  
pers into the Alma postoffice as any  
paper published. If you want results  
follow the example of Alma's best  
business man, who are doing things,  
and advertise in The Alma Record.

## CONTESTS STANDING.

Report Shows Union School Leading  
in Library Contest.

The report compiled in the library  
contest this week by the manager  
shows that the Union school is lead-  
ing in the vote getting, with the high  
school just behind in the standings,  
part of the week on business.

The standings follow.

Republic School	3720
Alma High School	4235
Primary School	1900
Union School	4305
Hillcrest School	1790
Elmwood School	2675
K. of P. Lodge	2825
Masons	930
Woodmen	1645
I. O. O. F.	4315
Macabees	780
Y. M. C. A.	470
Boyer School	1900
T. W. School	2400
Christian Church	1685
Presbyterian Church	615
Catholic Church	1400
Evangelical League	2385

## FOR CHRISTMAS

You want The Alma Record, Gratiot  
county's leading newspaper, published  
in the metropolis of central Michigan.  
You also want Tucker's Gratiot  
County History, good for a lifetime;  
1,256 pages, containing 20,000 impor-  
tant and interesting facts. Get the  
two for the extremely moderate price  
of \$2.00, postage prepaid. Apply to  
The Alma Record or W. D. Tucker of  
Ithaca. This offer is good only until  
the holidays. Act now and be glad  
all your life. Bargains that are rare  
at this price.

Douglas Fairbanks, in "The Man  
From Painted Post," Idlehour, soon—  
Adv.

# NUMBER SEEKING

**EXEMPTIONS LARGE**  
Wind-Up of First Draft Finds Num-  
ber Claiming Exemptions—Few  
Certified.

List of names of men who have filed ex-  
emption claims:  
Orin S. Padden, Elwell, Mich., wife and baby,  
Ervin J. Miller, Alma, Mich., wife,  
Arthur L. Gould, Merrill, Mich., wife and 2  
children,  
Lloyd J. Ayers, Elm Hall, Mich., wife,  
Raymond Claves, Middleton, wife,  
Earl Watson, Alma, Mich., wife and child,  
Geo. E. LaFauve, Riverdale, Mich., wife,  
Ned F. Neuhauer, Alma, Mich., wife,  
Roy A. Lawrence, Ithaca, Mich., wife and 1  
child,  
Alvin Shedd, Riverdale, Mich., wife and 2  
children,  
Leo H. Reed, Elwell, Mich., wife,  
Laurie Sigurd, Ashley, Mich., wife and child,  
Charles D. Burden, Ithaca, Mich., wife and 2  
children,  
Ford Lutz, Alma, Mich., wife and 2 children,  
Hood Randall, Breckenridge, Mich., wife  
and 4 children,  
Mike Simonovic, St. Louis, Mich., wife,  
Curtis E. Andrews, Alma, Mich., wife and  
child,  
Royal McRoberts, North Star, Mich., brother  
of child,  
William E. Hawks, Ithaca, Mich., wife,  
Earl D. Bishop, Alma, Mich., wife and 2  
children,  
Hobert W. Eichenberg, North Star, Mich.,  
wife and child,  
Austin J. Phillips, St. Johns, Mich., wife and  
infant child,  
Hugh Ivan Collier, Pomona, Mich., 1 wife  
and 1 child; 2 sons of infirm parents; 3  
members of a well-known religious sect,  
Emerson G. Clark, Alma, Mich., wife and 2  
children,  
Kath E. Evers, Alma, Mich., wife,  
Glen J. Allen, Middleton, Mich., wife and 1  
child,  
Oliver W. Shadley, Alma, Mich., wife,  
Dellmont Greenlee, North Star, Mich., wife  
and child,  
Geoff W. Marshall, Alma, Mich., wife and  
son,  
Oscar C. Calvert, North Star, Mich., wife and  
1 child,  
Prentice N. Cole, Jr., St. Louis, Mich., wife  
and 1 child,  
Ely W. Wright, Perrinton, Mich., wife and  
child,  
John W. Bidwell, Alma, Mich., wife,  
Harvey W. Ashley, Mich., wife and child,  
Alaric A. Donners, Alma, Mich., wife and 2  
children,  
Clifford O. Markham, Ithaca, Mich., wife and  
1 child,  
Frank Conklin, Ithaca, Mich., wife and 2  
children,  
Giles Kellora, Ithaca, Mich., wife and 1 child,  
G. W. Oakley, Pomona, Mich., wife and 5  
children,  
John B. Rowell, Ithaca, Mich., wife and 1  
child,  
Frank Aumacher, Ithaca, Mich., wife,  
Fred Simonovic, St. Louis, Mich., wife,  
Zeland G. Smith, Alma, Mich., wife and 1  
child,  
Wm. J. Barnes, Summit, Mich., wife and 2  
children,  
Clair D. Henry, St. Louis, Mich., wife and 1  
child,  
John Vassar, Bannister, Mich., wife and 1  
child,  
Robert Campbell, Alma, Mich., wife and 1  
child,  
Otto W. Bauer, Riverdale, Mich., father,  
mother and child,  
Frank H. Huss, Middleton, Mich., wife and  
child,  
Roy Wheeler, Ithaca, Mich., wife and 2 chil-  
dren,  
John Schwind Jr., Merrill, Mich., wife and 2  
children,  
Carl Fisher, Ithaca, Mich., wife,  
Charles J. Bennett, Breckenridge, wife and  
2 children,  
Harry S. Rodman, Perrinton, wife and child,  
Edward R. Evers, Middleton, wife,  
Ivan L. James, Alma, Mich., wife and 1  
child,  
Mildred S. Young, Wheeler, Mich., wife and  
2 children,  
John W. Drotzke, Alma, Mich., wife and  
2 children,  
Albert L. Stillwagon, Alma, Mich., wife,  
Forry E. Northrup, Alma, Mich., wife,  
Berth Olson, Elm Hall, Mich., wife and 1  
child,  
Howard K. Woodhouse, wife and son of a  
widow,  
Dwight C. Whittemore, Ithaca, wife and 2  
children,  
Frederick L. Denton, wife,  
W. H. Leader, Ithaca, Mich., son of infirm  
parents,  
Fred Polman, Alma, Mich., wife,  
Herley Kochensauer, Pomona, Mich., wife,  
Frank Shepherd, St. Louis, Mich., wife and  
2 children,  
Ernest Hawley, Ithaca, Mich., wife and child,  
Rollin S. Adams, Alma, mother,  
Lewis Hudson, St. Louis, wife and 2 children,  
Soland Patten, Breckenridge, wife, father and  
mother,  
Earl Gager, St. Louis, father and mother,  
Wayne G. Pomona, son of widow,  
Wm. H. Dase, Alma, wife and 2 children,  
John Buchholz, St. Louis, wife,  
Wm. H. Dase, Alma, wife and 1 child,  
Robert H. Halnday, wife and child,  
Louis G. Hilderson, Alma, wife,  
Frank W. Hunsler, Breckenridge, wife and  
2 children,  
Morse Salisbury, Alma, wife,  
Irwin E. Morey, Alma, wife and 2 children,  
Ford Houser, Ithaca, father and mother,  
W. J. Adams, Alma, wife and 2 children,  
Gay A. Gilles, Alma, wife and 1 child,  
Geo. M. Russell, Breckenridge, 2 children,  
Charles J. Adams, Alma, wife and 1 child,  
George L. Whitman, Summit, wife,  
Elbert Newby, Ithaca, wife and infirm pa-  
rents,  
Earl B. Mann, Ithaca, wife and father.

List of persons called into the service of  
the United States, but exempted or dis-  
charged:  
Conrad L. Ashley, Michigan  
Smith, Clyde S., Eastport, St. Alg.,  
Smith, Clair, Breckenridge,  
Hudson, Ithaca,  
Ringle, Ernest, Rt. 1, North Star,  
DeYoung, Ernest V., 713 River ave., Alma,  
Wallace, Roy, St. Louis,  
Carl, Clyde A., Rt. 2, Elwell,  
DeDier, Theophilus, Rt. 4, Ithaca,  
Henry, Jesse, Rt. 3, Carson City,  
Neel, Liddie, Ashley,  
Loughrey, Chester S., St. Louis,  
Widder, John, Rt. 1, Wheeler,  
Detrick, Charles W., Perrinton,  
Korow, Otto J., St. Louis,  
Bazile, Loren M., Breckenridge,  
Russell, George M., Breckenridge,  
Liberty, Wm. W., 24 Bridge ave., Alma,  
Widder, Henry R., Rt. 2, Wheeler,  
Roth, Reuben, Rt. 1, East Superior, Alma,  
Deaton, Ray E., 602 Richmond ave., Alma,  
Horskin, Burt, Breckenridge,  
LeVoy, Clyde, Elm Hall,  
Kirkley, George H., Wheeler,  
Hicks, Gilbert E., St. Louis,  
Hines, Clinton E., Ely Street, Alma,  
Foster, James L., 1129 E. Superior, Alma,  
Newson, Ray E., R. 2, Wheeler.

## MARKET REPORT.

Following is the market report, lo-  
cally, secured at noon Thursday.

## Grain Market.

Feed wheat	\$ 2.10
White wheat	2.08
Corn on cob	.60
Rye	1.70
Beans per 100	11.75
Barley, per 100	2.50
Buckwheat, per 100	3.50

## Hogs.

Heavy hogs	\$15.50
Pigs	14.00
Dressed hogs	20.00
Light hogs	14.50
Medium hogs	15.00

## Sheep and Lambs.

Lambs	\$14.50
Sheep	5.00@ 7.00

## Cattle Market.

Cattle	\$ 4.00@ 8.00
Cows	4.00@ 6.00
Cheves	8.00@ 11.00
Hides	.18

## Poultry.

Heavy chickens	\$ .16
Light Chickens	.14
Chickens	.18
Heavy hens	.18

## "Fatty" Arbuckle, in "Fatty at Co- ney Island," Idlehour, soon—Adv.

# WED, COURT LATER

**Armenians Choose Girl First,  
Take Chance on Love.**

American Principal of School in Tur-  
key Receives Letter Requesting  
Any One of Three.

Armenian marriages are always ar-  
ranged, the question of love not en-  
tering, writes Hester Donaldson Jenks  
in World Outlook. I remember  
when the principal of an American  
school said to one of her teachers  
who was contemplating matrimony:  
"I hate to have you go, but I should  
not mind so much if you loved him,"  
that the Armenian drew herself up  
indignantly; she would not be so un-  
kindly as to love a man before mar-  
riage.

An Armenian man generally picks  
out his own wife, one whom he has  
seen and approved. But he does not  
court her; instead he goes to her pa-  
rents and makes very careful inquiries  
as to her health, disposition and  
housewifery, after which he bargains  
keenly for her dot. Without a dot  
an Armenian girl may scarcely marry.

The American principal of a school  
for Armenian girls in Turkey received  
a great many applications for wives  
from the Armenian men of the neigh-  
borhood. Once she received a letter  
which read something like this:

"Your Nobleness,  
"Mademoiselle: I wish to marry  
one of the girls in your school. Will  
you get me the little Anzit, her of the  
early braids and strong eyebrows? Or  
if you cannot obtain her for me, then  
I will take Marian, with the big black  
eyes and the shining teeth; or if I  
cannot have her, I wish Zarroobek,  
with the straight features and white  
skin. But do not offer me any other,  
for I love only these three."

In the same school occurred the  
unique experience of Schorriz. Dik-  
ran had come to her father and bar-  
gained for her. When she was told  
of her impending marriage she was  
silly and sad, for she had read Eng-  
lish books and did not wish to be  
sold to a husband like a bale of rugs.  
But she left school and let her mother  
prepare her trousseau. At the formal  
wedding she and Dikan met for the  
first time. When the priest put the  
question whether she was willing to  
be betrothed to this man she shocked  
all the relatives assembled in festive  
array by a bold "No."

The priest argued with her, and the  
bride father would probably have  
forced her by pushing her head for-  
ward had not Dikan declared that he  
liked her spirit and would not have  
her forced to take him. So the party  
broke up in tears and lamentations.  
But the two young people met each  
other a good deal that winter, natu-  
rally taking an interest in each other,  
so the story ends with a happy mar-  
riage after a real American courtship.

## Why Swaggers Sticks Are Used.

The use of "swagger sticks," much  
in evidence lately among the boys in  
khaki, has been misunderstood in the  
United States. In Canada recruits at  
any time during the last three years  
have, in certain stages of their train-  
ing, almost invariably carried these lit-  
tle canes when off duty, not through  
affectation or vanity, but simply be-  
cause the use of them prevented the young  
soldiers from slipping their right  
hands into their trousers pockets.  
The finished soldier would not think of  
putting his hand in his pockets, but the  
soldier in the making is likely, unless  
constantly on his guard, to be guilty of  
this breach of the rules. The Cana-  
dian youths who jauntily and easily  
swing swagger sticks at Valcartier,  
Quebec and Aldershot, Nova Scotia,  
even one short year ago, have since  
become the heroes of Vimy Ridge and  
Hill No. 70.

## Prize Fighters Needed, Too.

"I suppose you're very anxious to  
become a soldier and fight for your  
country," said a physician to a ro-  
bust young man who came before him  
for examination. "You look good and  
I'll pass you. Do you claim exemp-  
tion?"  
"Well, I should say I do," replied  
the robust young man, in an injured  
tone. "I wouldn't make a good fight-  
er; I'm sick, I am."  
"You're sick?" inquired the physician.  
"You surprise me. What's the trouble?"  
"I'm nervous, doctor," replied the  
young man.  
"You're nervous? What's your occu-  
pation?"  
"I'm a prizefighter."  
"Well, go over and win a few prizes  
knocking out the enemy and I think  
your nervousness will wear off.  
Passed."

## Open-Air Schools.

Quite the popular fad in the East is  
the outdoor school, especially for the  
very young children. These schools  
are generally on the porches of the  
houses where they are held and are  
thus partly protected, and at the same  
time get plenty of fresh air. Miss  
Almee Harvey, formerly of St. Louis,  
who spent a year at the Montessori  
school in Rome a few years ago, has  
charge of such a school at Lexington,  
Mass., for the winter, having also  
taught a summer class out of doors.

## Baffled.

"Mr. Dubwaite talks in his sleep and  
is causing Mrs. Dubwaite great con-  
cern."  
"That shows she's a true woman."  
"Exactly what I was telling Dub-  
waite. She's probably worried because  
she can't understand what he says."

## The Tendon Achilles.

Antoanists fancifully call the big  
tendon of the heel "tendon Achilles,"  
after the Greek hero. The mythologi-  
cal story goes that his mother, Thetis,  
holding him by the heel, dipped him in  
the river Styx to make him invulnera-  
ble. But Paris inflicted a wound that  
proved fatal on the heel that had not  
been immersed.

Friend (telling on dentist): My head  
aches terribly. Dentist (absentminded-  
ly): Why don't you have it out?

# PREACHER DREAM, POOR LUCK

Cap'n Jim's Nightmare of Wrong Color  
According to Official Book, to  
Benefit Him.

Cap'n Jim was laid up his shoes  
out in the main cabin by the big stove  
before I took my little 'up chew an'  
got on my pants 'n' shirt.

The second bell the cook was clang-  
in' on the main deck down below was  
shakin' the front off the willows on the  
bank 'longside the quarter-bow. After  
the racket died out Cap'n Jim started  
his mornin' vision report: "Dreamed of  
a preacher last night, Dave," he says.  
"He was standin' up in a skiff 'n'  
heavin' eggs at a big lumino of a cat-  
fish. What does you predict that vision  
means?"

"That's a bad vision, Jim," I says,  
"an' a hard one to predict. Wait till I  
git the book."

I dug the old dream-book out of the  
trunk in my stateroom. When I got by  
the stove Cap'n Ed and Cap'n Lefe  
was there with Cap'n Jim.

"Poverty—Prayer—Preacher."  
Preacher: If colored, denotes advance  
in position or inheritance of gold," I  
read. "Was he white or nigger?"

"White—I think," says Cap'n Jim.  
"But he might have been some sickly  
yellow-brown."

"If white," the book says, "it por-  
tends a reduction of income or a suc-  
cessful business trip."

Cap'n Jim looked discouraged as a  
frozen rabbit. "Where to would I be  
takin' a business trip, with the dang-  
ler held up for the winter 'n' me cut  
to me's pay till the spring work  
starts. I figger the shrinkin' income  
part of that dream's all I'll git."

Cap'n Lefe burst in with a stone with  
a hole in it that he carried the time  
him in the Dixie Queen smk at Set-  
tlers Bend. "This here'll ward off the  
doom, Jim," he says, handin' the stone  
to Cap'n Jim. I give of Jim my rab-  
bit-foot what has kept bad luck away  
from me many's the time, 'n' we start-  
ed in tryin' to recollect some more  
charms, but just then the funky east  
loose on the breakfast-bell 'n' we all  
drifted for'd an' below into the dinin'-  
hall—From "A Mushroom Midas,"  
by Hugh Wiley, in Scribner's Magazine.

## Vatican Real Help to Rome.

It is perhaps the Vatican that con-  
stitutes the best and surest anathema  
weapon. The pope, living within its  
walls, and Austria, the most Catholic  
monarchy, will send no bombs to Rome,  
says an exchange. As the capital of  
Italy, Rome would perhaps not be  
spared, but a stray bomb on the Vati-  
can would trouble the consciences of  
the dual monarchy more than the  
slaughter of any number of innocent  
noncombatants and create complica-  
tions for the imperial government  
greater than they care to face. It is  
doubtful whether even Protestant Ger-  
many would care to affront the con-  
science of a not inconsiderable part  
of its population. There have been no  
formal assurances given to the effect  
—if they exist they have not been  
made public—yet there seems to be a  
tacit understanding that because of  
the pope's presence Rome is to be re-  
spected.

Thus, this city of many vicissitudes,  
though prayer and fasting are as much  
out-of-date as a means of defense as  
the "terror by night" that haunted the  
old monks of Sabina, carries within  
herself a purely spiritual defense more  
powerful than any girdle of steel.

## Korean Quick at Figures.

The governor general of Korea pre-  
sented a voucher to a native lad named  
An Myeonghan, an accountant in the  
employ of the land investigation bu-  
reau at Seoul, in appreciation of his  
high mathematical talents.

Among his other accomplishments,  
says the East and West News, he can  
mentally add a column of 25 items of  
four figures each in seven seconds.  
This is much less than half the time  
required by the most expert account-  
ants in Japan. This boy is only six-  
teen years old. His father died two  
years ago and he is now supporting his  
mother, brother and a sister on 70 sen  
(37 1/2 cents) a day—an unpromising  
high wage for a Korean accountant.

Mr. An was honored by a gift last  
year from Count Toranuchi when gov-  
ernor general of Corea.

## Portrait of Henry VII.

An interesting art discovery has  
just been made at Geneva, Switzer-  
land, by a Luxembourg antiquarian,  
which, if confirmed, will fill a vacancy  
in England's historical records. M.  
Jean Berard has found a miniature  
on wood which he identifies as a por-  
trait of Henry VII, the first of the  
Tudor dynasty. No portrait of this mon-  
arch is known here to exist in any  
museum or private collection.

Mr. Berard, without giving details  
as to how or where he discovered this  
unique work, says that it was painted  
by Geoffrey Tory de Bourges (1840-  
1533), and is the only painting known  
by him, although he was an engraver  
and drew illustrations for four his-  
torical works.

## Utilization of Waste.

The utilization of waste in the  
battle-wrecked parts of France has  
been reduced to a science. All the  
pieces of shell, cases, unexploded  
bombs, haversacks, helmets, canteens,  
and even old rags are picked up and  
sent down to the base to be utilized  
in some form or another. At one  
spot 50,000 old shoes were being re-  
paired when a war correspondent  
visited it. The upper part of an old  
shoe is often converted into shoe  
laces by an ingenious machine inven-  
ted by an Irish shoemaker. One thou-  
sand five hundred French girls are  
employed at one salvage shop convert-  
ing overcoats picked up on the fields.

## She Knew Her Country.

In a kindergarten class flags were  
shown, and in answer to a question a  
little girl gave the response that was  
expected of her:  
"This is the flag of my country."  
"And what is the name of your coun-  
try?" was the next question.  
"Tis of thee," was the prompt reply.  
—Indianapolis News.

## Japanese Bread Is Shaped Somewhat

like a stick of bamboo, being sold in  
strings.

# TRICKS THAT KILL

**Germans Use Barbarous  
Schemes to Harm Enemy.**

Baits Left in Evacuated Positions  
Prove Disastrous to Tommy, Who  
Would Investigate.

"The game of baiting the other fel-  
low which the German soldiers really  
taught the allied troops is still in  
vogue on the western front at the  
present time," said a wounded Cana-  
dian officer who was telling some friends  
about the tricks which men play on  
one another in trench warfare.

"Don't fool with the enemies' eva-  
cuated positions, especially the dugouts,  
until you have experienced with wine  
bottles, jewelry, pictures and other  
trinkets at a respectable distance," is  
the first order given to advance par-  
ties. When the Germans drew back to  
the Hindenburg line in France they  
plundered and carried off all kinds of  
loot. Now the finest place for a crowd  
of Tommies or polus to capture is  
one of the dugouts recently inhabited  
by German officers.

"Perhaps Tommy spots a pile of Jew-  
elry on an innocent appearing table.  
Well, let Tommy rush to grab it and in a  
second the place is blown to atoms and  
all hands have gone 'blightly' for hav-  
ing grabbed the bait. This game of  
connecting fuses with gold chains, wine  
bottles and portraits has been costing  
bombing squads a large toll in losses.

The coveted goods are so fixed by the  
Germans that when Tommy and the  
gang have pounced upon them they  
touch off the detonator of an infernal  
machine."

The Canadian told how 12 men who  
had entered a dugout in the German  
trenches formerly occupied by some  
officers had their eyes on several oil  
paintings. The non-commissioned of-  
ficer who was with them, having wit-  
nessed the annihilation of men who  
had been caught by the bait in other  
cases, ordered the men out of the place  
and then fired a shot at one of the  
paintings.

In response to the shot  
there followed an explosion which de-  
molished the dugout.

The allied troops are daily being  
taught to keep their hands off all likely  
souvenirs when they occupy new po-  
sitions. Even the business of search-  
ing wounded prisoners is being con-  
ducted in a gingerly manner by Tom-  
my. The game of tricking the other  
fellow has been a very serious matter  
on the western front, according to the  
officer, chiefly because the German sol-  
dier does not hesitate at the most  
atrocious and barbarous of schemes to  
work harm to the enemy. On certain  
occasions German soldiers have feigned  
to be wounded and while men swept  
past them have been guilty of sniping.

## The Eiffel Tower.

The Eiffel tower is just twenty-eight  
years old, having been erected for the  
Paris exposition of 1889. Although  
it was denounced as ugly, for the same  
reason as a skeleton, because it is un-  
usual, its rigid lines are really grace-  
ful. It has outlived its popularity as  
a pleasure resort, although it offers a  
wonderful panorama of Paris, but it  
serves a far more important interna-  
tional service as perhaps the most im-  
portant wireless station in Europe, for  
it is in direct communication with  
Canada, 2,500 miles off. Its mass of  
8,000 tons of iron is 984 feet high, or,  
if its lightning protection be added,  
just over 1,000 feet, which is five times  
the height of the monument on Fish  
Street hill. In England William Hol-  
land's enterprise in imitation of it, the  
Blackpool tower, still flourishes, but  
Sir Edward Watkin's scheme, the  
Wembley tower, had the fate of the  
Tower of Babel, and the uncompleted  
fragment, which was for years a land-  
mark on the G. C. R., has long been  
swept away—London Globe.